# **NEWS for Youth Work Professionals**

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#### **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Special Invitation to all Minneapolis Youth Workers! Shaping a MN Framework for Quality Afterschool

On behalf of the Minneapolis Beacons Network, Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board and Ignite Afterschool, we invite you to attend a meeting in December and share your insights and expertise. Ignite Afterschool, Minnesota's afterschool network, is collecting input from throughout Minnesota to create a draft State-wide Framework for Quality Afterschool. Convenings in December will engage Minneapolis afterschool and youth program stakeholders in shaping the next draft of the framework. Your voice in this process is critical to representing your organization and we encourage you to attend. For dates and more information, see attached flyer.

## Join the **Beyond Walls: Urban Squash Twin Cities** Board

Beyond Walls, a youth development non-profit combining education, the sport of squash, and community service is seeking a board member to join their team. This is a great opportunity for a young professional in the field of youth work that wants to create connections, learn, and contribute alongside successful leaders. Beyond Walls is also seeking people to join board committees including a program committee (youth evaluation, strategic planning, goal setting), a development committee (fundraising, events, marketing, grants), an outreach committee (engaging with community partners) and a young professionals advisory committee. Contact Executive Director, Jazmin Danielson, 612-624-1810.

# Youth Worker Action Requested - READ! SIGN! SUPPORT!

Ignite After-school, Minnesota's afterschool network, is mobilizing afterschool, youth, and community stakeholders from across the state in support of high-quality afterschool and summer learning opportunities for all young people. Get involved, and make sure your voice is heard in the upcoming legislative session! Here's how:

- 1. Read Ignite Afterschool's Policy Platform
- 2. Sign the Statement of Support to become a Platform supporter, either as an <u>individual</u> or as an <u>organization</u>.
- 3. Write a <u>Letter of Support</u> laying out the reasons your organization supports the Platform, and increased public funding for afterschool programs in Minnesota. Your action will help build momentum for increasing investments in Minnesota's young people. Join the mobilizing campaign now and watch for more opportunities for support and impact in the next weeks and months. <u>Brandon Tice</u>, Communications &Policy Associate, Ignite Afterschool

#### **EVENTS**

#### Soup with the Supe

FREE! Dec. 2, 5:30-6pm (Dinner served), 6-8pm (Q&A) Burroughs Community School, 1601 West 50 St. Mpls. Meet Dr. Johnson and hear about a variety of topics and key projects involving MPS. \* Free childcare for children ages 3+ \* Hmong, Somali and Spanish interpreters. Call 612-668-0230 or <a href="mailto:emailt

# Free Concert for Young Listeners at the Capri!

Dec. 6, 10am, Capri
Theater, 2027 W. Broadway
SPCO presents "Start the
Music" to introduce youngsters (ages 3 to 6+) to
classical music. Reserve
tickets in advance here or
call 651-291-1144. Walkup's welcome based on
availability. Pre-concert,
children can try musical
instruments and enjoy
musical crafts, games and
face painting. Get more
information here.



## A Virtual Town Hall on Bullying

Monday, December 8, 3:00- 4:00 p.m. Open to the Public. The Minnesota Youth Council's District 7 members invite young people, parents, educators, youth workers, and community leaders to participate in a virtual town hall that will explore the issue of bullying and the Safe and Supportive Schools Act. Minnesota Department of Education Commissioner Brenda Cassellius will join the event to answer questions from District 7 youth. The Council requests that participants RSVP via <a href="Eventbrite">Eventbrite</a>. To directly join the online conversation, use this link.

## 2014 Holiday Train

Dec. 10, 7:30-9pm, Shoreham Rail Yard, 2800 Central Ave. A night of live music, kid's activities, horse-drawn hayrides and hot chocolate. The Prairie Fire Lady Choir will perform at 8pm and the Canadian Pacific Holiday Train arrives at approximately 8:30pm. Support the food shelves of ESNS by bringing a cash or non-perishable donation. This is the only stop in Minneapolis, so don't miss the train! Visit the ESNS website for donation ideas.

#### MORE NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Attend an Engagement Meeting on the West Broadway Education & Career Center

The State of Minnesota is planning to move the North Minneapolis WorkForce Center to 800 West Broadway in the fall of 2015. This larger space will allow for a partnership with MPS, MCTC, MN State Univ. - Mankato and NorthPoint Health & Wellness to create the West Broadway Education and Career Center. Attend an engagement meeting to share feedback, ask questions, and get project updates. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month, 8-9am, at the North Minneapolis WorkForce Center (1200 Plymouth Ave. N). For more information, contact Ibrahim Noor, Manager, North Minneapolis Workforce Center, 612.821.4411.

Holiday Food and Gift/Toy Programs: See flyer.

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

#### **MyMnCareers**

MyMnCareers helps Adult Basic Education participants and other low-literacy teens and adults find the information and resources needed to make education and career plans. This first-of-its-kind website from iSeek Solutions and ABE partners encourages users to Explore Careers, Set Goals, Get Training, and Learn More.

#### **Foster Youth Internship Program**

The Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute (CCAI) is accepting applications for Foster Youth Internships. Foster Youth Interns spend 2 summer months in Washington, D.C. interning for a Member of Congress. The internship is for those who have graduated or are currently enrolled in and have completed 4 semesters of college or trade school, have spent at least 24 consecutive months and/or 36 total months in foster care. Interns receive a weekly stipend and housing. Application deadline: Jan. 9, 2015. Info and application.

#### QuestBridge

QuestBridge, connecting high achieving low income students to high echelon colleges and universities, is accepting referrals for students graduating in 2016 for the 2015 College Prep Scholarship.

# CoderDojo Twin Cities Free computer programming classes for youth, ages 817. Check the website for upcoming

programming.



### **ADULT TRAINING**

# <u>Understanding Teenage Substance Abuse and Current Drug</u> Trends: YIPA Training

December 5, 1-3pm, In-person or streamed on-line.

#### **Perseverance Process: Search Institute**

January 9, 2015, 8:30am-4pm, U of M Continuing Education Conference Center. The latest research on motivation and persistence, offering educators practical ideas to help students do their best. Register here.

#### Youth Work Matters Online Course: U of M Extension

Jan. 12 - Feb. 15, 2015. An in-depth exploration of foundational research and theories of positive youth development. Interact with other youth development professionals.

#### **Leadership Matters Online Course: U of M Extension**

Feb. 9 - March 3, 2015. Explore the key issues in supervision and leadership of youth work organizations.

## **Dilemmas in Youth Work Online: U of M Extension**

Feb.16, - March 20, 2015. Examine the various ways to respond to real-life dilemmas of everyday practice

#### **ADULT EMPLOYMENT**

# Brooklyn Bridge Alliance for Youth Is Hiring a Youth Employment Program Coordinator

The Alliance is hiring for an exciting new position. The Youth Employment Coordinator will be responsible for building and implementing a two year youth job readiness and internship program in Brooklyn Center and Brooklyn Park. Apply by December 10.

#### **Adult Employment & Training Director & More Jobs at ESNS**

**Fund Development Associate - Hope Community** 

**Dir. of Training & Outreach: Mentoring Partnership of MN**Develop, deliver and evaluate the services of MPM's Training Institute, supporting MN organizations' efforts to start and strengthen quality youth mentoring programs. <u>Learn more</u>

Minneapolis Public Schools Seeks Substitute Teachers
Need a 4-year college degree & experience in K-12
education. Submit application <a href="here">here</a>. <a href="here">See more MPS jobs</a>.

**Out-of-School Time Lead Youth Worker-Heritage Academy** 

**Division of Indian Work Seeking FT Youth Worker and FT Program Coordinator.** Find position descriptions here.

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